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		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.30	3.45
Yuenai	Dep.	6.50	8.15	9.25	10.40	12.10	1.25	2.40	3.55
Shatin	Dep.	7.00	8.25	9.35	10.50	12.20	1.35	2.50	4.05
Taipei	Dep.	7.10	8.35	9.45	11.00	12.30	1.45	3.00	4.15
Taipei Market	Dep.	7.20	8.45	9.55	11.10	12.40	1.55	3.10	4.25
Fanning	Dep.	7.30	8.55	10.05	11.20	12.50	2.05	3.20	4.35
Shenagshui	Dep.	7.40	9.05	10.15	11.30	1.00	2.15	3.30	4.45
Shenagshui	Dep.	7.50	9.15	10.25	11.40	1.10	2.25	3.40	4.55
Shenagshui	Dep.	8.00	9.25	10.35	11.50	1.20	2.35	3.50	5.05
Canton	Arr.	12.20	1.35	2.50	4.05	5.20	6.35	7.50	9.05

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Fanning	Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.30	3.45
Shenagshui	Dep.	6.50	8.15	9.25	10.40	12.10	1.25	2.40	3.55
Shenagshui	Dep.	7.00	8.25	9.35	10.50	12.20	1.35	2.50	4.05
Shenagshui	Dep.	7.10	8.35	9.45	11.00	12.30	1.45	3.00	4.15
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In most of us, who claim inclusion in the genus "Homo Sapiens" there is an inborn attraction towards "out-sides," especially in the study of the world's worst liar. Of his pedigree in the study of the world's worst liar, I am, I confess, ignorant. I strongly suspect however that in some way or other a lineal descendant of Ananias and Sapphira must have been mixed up with the line of Titus Oates, and that subsequently the result was crossed with the De Beers stock. However that may be, the present expert is a "ring-fence" deer-park that has aptly been termed the "vermicular" press in Canton. The efforts which drew my attention to him deserve enshrinement.

His first notable contribution to the veracious history of modern times appears in an article in the *San Kwok Wai Po*, a Canton paper, of April 8th, 1927. A fair translation runs as follows:—

Big Trouble between British Troops in the New Territory Yesterday.
Recently the Imperialists of Great Britain despatched a lot of soldiers to Hong Kong. The actual number has been ascertained to be 5,000 odd. Mr. Clementi, the Governor of Hong Kong ordered all these troops to protect the new territory. On the 6th trouble suddenly broke out between the Scottish soldiers and the English soldiers, and several tens were wounded and killed. On receipt of a report of the affair, the Hong Kong Government was much perturbed, and immediately sent men to mediate. As a result, about 20 of the Scottish soldiers were ordered to return to "Little Hong Kong." The cause of the affair, according to report, is as follows: It was raining that day, and the Scottish soldiers, because there were no military methods for them to live in, went to the quarters of the English soldiers for shelter from the rain. For want of room the question of "occupation" and "position" started the trouble. Investigation shows that the English soldiers belonging to the aristocratic class are always unfriendly to the Scottish soldiers. For this reason they fought against each other. Since the outbreak of this trouble the inhabitants of Hong Kong are extremely perturbed.

The sublimity of the passage speaks for itself. The one tragedy is that our friend was apparently unaware that "Little Hong Kong" (Heung Kong Tsai) is always referred to by us Imperialists as Aberdeen. What a chance to miss! By the way the phrase translated "the aristocratic class"—(Kwai Ch'uk Ch'an Ping) might freely be rendered as "escorts of royalty." However, our friend (for it is surely too much to suppose two such liars can exist in one town, and I think he is not a regular newspaper man but a propagandist

who deals with all the papers) apparently failed to find sufficient "signs of extreme perturbation among the inhabitants of Hong Kong." He, therefore, follows it up in the *Man Kwok Yat Po* of April 11th as follows:—

Details of the Clash between British Troops at Hong Kong.

We have already reported that a clash occurred on April 6th in the New Territories at Hong Kong between English and Scotch troops. It now appears that the trouble arose through one hundred and eighty Scottish troops having been ordered by the Governor of Hong Kong to proceed to the New Territories. On this particular day it was raining heavily, and as the troops had no building in which to live, the Scottish commander approached the commander of the English troops with a view to taking over one building in the barracks in which to quarter his troops. Now the English commander had long held a grudge against the Scots, and consequently refused to hand over the building in question, using bad language over the matter. The Scottish commander retorted that they were all in service of their Government, and there was consequently no question of class distinction. In the middle of their conversation they started to fight. Seeing this, the soldiers of both sides began to prepare their weapons. The commander of the Scottish troops then had his right hand disabled, on seeing which the men became very indignant and a clash broke out between both sides and lasted for three hours. The Hong Kong Government then got to hear about it and sent a high official to mediate, after which the trouble ceased. Afterwards the Scots Company was moved back to the Hong Kong side and transferred to Shamshu, where it is now quartered in the Hong Kong Bank and other places. Sixty Indian troops also accompanied the soldiers in question to Shamshu, the Hong Kong Government having obviously sent the Indian contingent to escort the Scots troops. The Indians will shortly return to Hong Kong. It is ascertained that the casualties on the English side in this affair were eight killed and sixteen wounded, while the Scots had eleven killed and fifteen wounded.

This is very nearly perfect. But I confess I looked wistfully for some reference to a haggis. I may say that I have made desperate efforts to get the name of the writer, and of the English and Scotch Commanders, with the idea of getting them some recognition from the Ancient Order of Froth Blowers, but unfortunately the first gentleman is coy about revealing himself, while the other two are, but fragments of his too prolific imagination. It is perhaps unkind to trace the story to its foundation. A company of the K.O.S.B. was sent up to Shamshu a short while ago. Nothing more, nothing less. Can you beat it?

JUDAEUS APELLA.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6 p.m., stated:—
The depression near Tourane appears to have filled up. The apex of the V shaped depression is near Tamasaki.
Local Forecast: N.W. to N.E. winds, moderate, generally cloudy.

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DIARY OF EVENTS.

Good Friday.
Religious Services:—St. John's Cathedral: Litany and Ante-Communion, 10 a.m.; Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. W. P. Cannell, subject, "The Loneliness of Christ." Meditation on the Passion, noon to 3 p.m. (Rev. H. Copley Moyle); Erensang, 6 p.m.
Golf: Easter Meeting; Shanghai Visitors' Cup (Fanning).
Lawn Bowls: At Civil Service Cricket Club; Kowloon Bowling Green Club v. Kowloon Cricket Club.
Cricket: Kowloon C.C. v. United Services (first day).
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Football: Club v. South China (League: Division I), Club ground, 4.30 p.m.; Club Res. v. St. Joseph's College, Club ground, 3 p.m.; Chinese Athletic "B" v. R.A. Reserves at Sookmupoo, 3 p.m. (Both Matches League: Division II "A").
Hockey: University v. Club, King's Park, 5.15 p.m.
Vocal and Instrumental Recital, St. John's Cathedral, 8.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Big Parade."
World Theatre: "Charley's Aunt."
Star Theatre: "Our Hospitality."
Principal Mails:—Outward: Australia, etc. (Change), 10.30 a.m. Saturday.
Tang Shan Hotel "At Home," 37-39, Connaught Road West, noon to 4 p.m.
Golf: Easter Meeting; Shanghai Visitors' Cup (Fanning).
Cricket: Kowloon Cricket Club v. United Services (second day); all day match at I.R.C., Captain's v. Vice-Captain's team.
Football:—League: Cup: Civilian v. China (H.K.F.C. ground), 4.30 p.m.
2nd Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley (first day).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m. Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
7th Boxing Tournament, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Big Parade."
World Theatre: "Charley's Aunt."
Star Theatre: "Our Hospitality."
Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A. via Siberia (Saratov and Ouder-kirk). Outward: Europe via Marseilles, (Dover), 10.30 a.m. Sunday.
Easter Day.
Fanning Hunt Meet, Kwanti, 9.30 a.m.
Golf: Easter Meeting; Shanghai Visitors' Cup (Fanning).
Volunteer Annual Rifle Meeting, Stoncutters' Range.
Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., etc. (President McKinley), Europe via Sues (Khiva), Outward: Europe via Siberia (Khiva), 8.30 a.m. Monday.
Bank Holiday.
Cricket: Hong Kong v. United Services, H.K.C.C. ground, 11 a.m. Volunteer Annual Rifle Meeting, Stoncutters' Range.
2nd Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley (second day).
Golf: Easter Meeting; Shanghai Visitors' Cup (Fanning).
Lawn Bowls: K.C.C. v. K.B.C.C. Football: Winners of League I v. the "Rest", H.K.F.C. ground, 5 p.m.; Winners of League II Section "A" (H.K.F.C. ground), 3 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m. Dinner Dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Fancy Dress Carnival Dance, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, 8.30 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Makone Marsh), 9 a.m.

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COMPLETE PROGRAMME.

An attractive holiday programme of football has been arranged. There is only one League match down for decision to-day, the fixtures between the Club and South China (Division I.) and the Club Reserves and St. Joseph's College (Division II.) both to have been played on the Club ground, having been postponed.

The match to be played to-day is in the Hong Kong Football League.

Division II. "A."
China Athletic "B" v. R.A. Reserves, Sookunpoo "A" ground, kick-off at 3 p.m.
Referee: Mr. Cowan.

TO-MORROW.

Lai Wah Cup Competition.
Civilians v. China, Hong Kong F.C. ground, kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

The Civilians will play in white.

Civilians:—G. Roger (H.K. Club); Wynne (H.K. Police) and Bishop (H.K. Club); McBride (H.K. Club) (captain); Hudson (H.K. Police); and C. F. Remedios (Club de Recreio); Hayes and May (Kowloon); Howard (H.K. Club); J. Silva and Brown (Club de Recreio). Reserves: Brittain and Oram (Police) and Muir (Kowloon).

Chinese:—Pau Ka Ping; Ng Kam Chuen and Lai Luk Tat; Leung Yuk Tong, Wong Shui Wai and Lum Yuk Ying (captain); Tso Kwai Sing, Suen Kam Shun, Wong Pak Chong, Lau Mau and Chan Kwong Ju. Reserves: Ko Sik Wai (South China); Lee Tin Sang (South China); Choy Ping Fan and Lo Wai Man. Except where stated otherwise the players are members of the C.A.A.

MONDAY.

Champions v. "Rest."

On Easter Monday the winners of Division I. and of Division II. of the League will meet teams representing the "Rest" of each Division.

The winners of Division II. play at 3 p.m. on the Club ground, and the champions of the Senior League played at 5 p.m. on the same ground.

The following have been chosen to play for the Rest v. Club de Recreio: champions of the First Division:—Anderson (K.O.S.B.); Wynne (Police) and Bishop (H.K. Club); McBride (H.K. Club); Simms (Kowloon) and Lam Yuk King (China Ath.); Tso Kwai Sing (China Ath.); Fung King Cheung (South China); Leach (R.A.); Mc Ginchey (K.O.S.B.) and Roy Alexander (K.O.S.B.) (captain). Team to play in white. Reserves: Howard (Club), Hayes (Kowloon) and Gardner (K.O.S.B.).

YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE MATCH.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONS WIN.

The Chinese Athletic "A" team played their last game in "Section A" of Division II. of the Hong Kong Football League on the Club ground at Happy Valley yesterday when they met the King's Own Scottish Borderers Reserves, who are the champions of the Junior League.

The K.O.S.B.'s won by four goals to one, and the goal secured by the losers was through a mis-kick by the left back of the winners.

As the Chinese lost the match, this does not affect the runners-up position in the Second Division, which still has to be decided.

FRIENDLY RUBBER FINAL.

The deciding game of a friendly "rubber" between H.M.S. Delia football team and the first eleven of the Chinese Athletic Association is to be played on Wednesday next at the Club ground, kick-off at 5 p.m.

HOCKEY.

TO-DAY'S MATCH.

H.K.H.C. v. University.

To-day at King's Park, at 5.15 p.m.

University:—C. K. Ong (capt.), H. W. Ma, Y. C. Teh, B. P. Ng, B. N. Sudan, G. S. Suleman, K. P. Gan and K. T. Loke.

H.K.H.C. v. Royal Navy.

This game takes place on Tuesday at 5.15 p.m. on the U.S.R.C. ground.

H.K.H.C.:—F. H. Holdman, L. A. R. Duncan, D. Lyon, A. M. S. Dand, E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), E. L. Sim, G. B. Slipper, R. K. Valentine, W. Woodward, W. Samson, and T. P. Sanderson.

Volunteers v. H.K.H.C.
On Wednesday, April 20th, at 5.15 p.m. sharp on the King's Park ground.

Volunteers:—F. Nicholls, Rev. N. Evans, D. Lyon, A. M. S. Dand, E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), F. B. Jones, G. B. Slipper, R. K. Valentine, G. E. Lammert, A. E. Erbehard, and T. P. Sanderson.

H.K.H.C. v. 5/2 Punjabis.

On Saturday, April 23rd, at 4.30 p.m. sharp at U.S.R.C. ground.

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CRICKET NOTES.

The Season has practically closed now and after the Easter Holiday games I think it will pack up finally. I shall therefore publish no more of these notes, until, all being well, the glad day comes when we start another season. As, however, I have found it difficult to have more than a most sketchy idea of what is happening in Home Cricket I hope to arrange a weekly or bi-weekly summary of the position for the benefit of those who are either too busy or have not the chance to read the Home papers.

Holiday Matches.

A very interesting game is down for decision at noon to-morrow and on Saturday on the Kowloon ground, where the home side take on a remarkably strong United Service eleven. Kowloon are at full strength, except for Ramsey, Morris and Mackaskill but they have Teddy, Fincher and Lawrence outside their usual players. The team is Lyle, Goodwin, Brace, two Finchers, Lawrence, Capt. Bevis, Jex, Guest, Ross and Duncan. The Services team has already been published and it will be very interesting to see the new men at work. It sounds uncommonly strong as Spinks, Brewerton, Sturges, Spinks and Shaw, all regular Navy side men last year are only reserves! Paymaster-Commander Elstob, the skipper, has played for the Navy v. Army on several occasions, I believe, but he has been too busy to play for the last two years and is very short of practice. He is at present the Secretary to the Rear-Admiral commanding the First Cruiser Squadron in *Prothier*, so has none too much time for practice even now. Two other "Frobishers" are playing; Dale and Hunt from the *Tamar* are both reputed to be very useful cricketers. Dobbie, Bridgeland, Evers, Morris and Fogden represent the Army, the latter behind the sticks. I don't fancy he is quite as good there as the Rev. Venn. I expect to see the Services win on the whole, though Kowloon will give them a good run for it anyway. It is very pleasant to see the extremely keen spirit of the Shield-winners.

Monday's Match.

The same side is down to do duty for the Services against the Hong Kong Club. Although the game starts at 11 a.m. I very much doubt if a decision will be reached unless we get a good bit of sun to turn the wicket into a bit of glue. At 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday the ground looked much more like a swimming bath, but it recovers very quickly. At the time of writing the Club team has not yet been selected definitely.

The Past Season.

Interesting though the cricket has been in the season under review, nothing particularly striking has emerged. Captain Dobbie of the K.O.S.B. is the only new arrival who can be regarded as a certainty for Interport honours: I speak, of course, only of those qualified. There have been, on the whole, I think, rather more centuries scored than usual but I incline to put this down to batting. Sayer this year has done better than for some seasons past, while Hayward has got a lot of runs very nicely. A. H. Madar shows promise of becoming a nice bat but not very much has been seen of him yet in the big matches. "Rumjahn" too has more or less confined himself to League and University Cricket. Of the bowlers Bowker has had an off season but with a long rest I fully expect to see him back in his old form by October next. Goodwin has probably done better with the ball than anyone else. The Colony is badly in need of a good left hand bowler and a really good slow bowler. There are dozens of "small change" bowlers and this is reflected in the fact that wickets this year have been shared by a much larger number of people. Reed has been crooked for practically the whole season, and I sincerely hope that he will be fit and well next season.

Just as these notes were being handed in I learned that Morris and Evers cannot play in the Kowloon game. At the time of writing it is not settled who plays in their places.

I have also been shown a Civilian team picked against the Services by a "Lady Enthusiast." It is very sound, but I think Bracke should go in instead of her last selection.

R. ABBIT.

SURREYS SUCCESS.

DOING WELL AT SPORT IN INDIA.

The 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment, who left here last year for India have done exceedingly well at sport generally. They are stationed at Rawalpindi. They reached the final of the Rawalpindi Hockey Tournament, being defeated by the 22nd Battery R.A.

They won the Football Tournament and the tug-of-war and their cricket team have also done well.

H.K.H.C.:—F. H. Holdman, L. A. R. Duncan, D. Lyon, L. M. S. Lloyd, E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), F. B. Jones, G. B. Slipper, R. K. Valentine, W. Woodward, W. Samson, and T. P. Sanderson.

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HOME FOOTBALL.

BIG HOLIDAY PROGRAMME.

THE COMPLETE FIXTURES.

There will be League football at Home throughout the Easter Holidays, with a few games on Tuesday as well. The Scottish League programme, however, only shows matches for Saturday and no Friday or Monday fixtures. In the English League there are matches to-day (Good Friday), to-morrow (Saturday) and again on Easter Monday. The Cup finalists (Arsenal and Cardiff City) are engaged on each of the three days. The Arsenal are at home to-day at Aston Villa and to-morrow to West Bromwich. Cardiff while they are away to the Villa on Monday. Cardiff City are away to Liverpool to-day, are at home to-morrow to the Wednesday, and home to Liverpool on Monday. Most of the other teams are playing the same opponents both at home and away on two out of the three days.

The complete fixtures are as under:—

TO-DAY.

English League: Division I.

Arsenal v. Aston Villa.
Bolton W. v. Sheffield U.
Burnley v. Leeds United.
Bury v. Leicester C.
Liverpool v. Cardiff C.
Manchester U. v. Derby C.
Newcastle U. v. Huddersfield T.
Tottenham H. v. W. Ham. U.

Division II.

Blackpool v. South Shields.
Clapton O. v. Southampton.
Darlington v. Manchester C.
Fulham v. Swansea T.
Grimsby T. v. Reading.
Nottingham F. v. Oldham A.
Portsmouth v. Barnsley.
Port Vale v. Middlesbrough.
Preston N.E. v. Hull C.

Division III. (Southern).

Brentford v. Merthyr T.
Bristol C. v. B'mouth and B.A.
Brighton and H.A. v. Luton T.
Gillingham v. Crystal Pal.
Millwall v. Exeter C.
Newport C. v. Queen's Park R.
Plymouth A. v. Charlton A.
Swindon T. v. Bristol R.
Watford v. Norwich C.

Division III. (Northern).

Chesterfield v. Nelson.
Crewe A. v. Stockport C.
Doncaster R. v. Stoke C.
Lincoln C. v. Durham C.
New Brighton v. Walsall.
Southport v. Barrow.
Tranmere R. v. Halifax T.
Wrexham v. Bradford.

TO-MORROW.

English League: Division I.

Arsenal v. West Brom. A.
Aston Villa v. Leicester C.
Bolton W. v. Everton.
Burnley v. West Ham U.
Cardiff C. v. Wednesday.
Derby C. v. Huddersfield T.
Leeds U. v. Birmingham.
Liverpool v. Bury.
Manchester U. v. Blackburn R.
Newcastle U. v. Tottenham H.
Sheffield U. v. Sunderland.

Division II.

Bradford C. v. Swansea T.
Chelsea v. Nottingham F.
Clapton O. v. Fulham.
Hull C. v. Darlington.
Middlesbrough v. Grimsby T.
Notts C. v. Oldham A.
Port Vale v. Blackpool.
Preston N.E. v. Barnsley.
Southampton v. Reading.
S. Shields v. Manchester C.
Wolves v. Portsmouth.

Division III. (Southern).

Brentford v. Newport C.
Brighton and H. v. B'mouth and B.A.
Bristol R. v. Gillingham.
Exeter C. v. Crystal Pal.
Luton T. v. Charlton A.
Merthyr T. v. Coventry C.
Millwall v. Aberdare A.
Northampton v. Plymouth A.
Norwich C. v. Bristol C.
Southend U. v. Queen's Park R.
Swindon T. v. Watford.

Division III. (Northern).

Accrington S. v. Doncaster R.
Barrow v. New Brighton.
Crewe A. v. Ashington.
Durham C. v. Stoke C.
Halifax T. v. Wrexham.
Hartlepool U. v. Chesterfield.
Lincoln C. v. Wigan Boro.
Southport v. Walsall.
Stockport C. v. Nelson.
Rochdale v. Bradford.
Tranmere R. v. Rotherham U.

Scottish League: Division I.

Aberdeen v. Airdrieonians.
Celtic v. Motherwell.
Dundee v. Clyde.
Dunfermline A. v. St. Johnstone.
Falkirk v. Cowdenbeath.
Hamilton A. v. Rangers.
Hearts v. Dundee U.
Kilmarnock v. Hibernians.
Queen's Park v. Morton.
St. Mirren v. Partick T.

MONDAY.

English League: Division I.
Aston Villa v. Arsenal.
Cardiff C. v. Liverpool.
Derby C. v. Manchester U.
Everton v. Birmingham.
Leicester C. v. Bury.
Sheffield U. v. Bolton W.
West Brom. A. v. Blackburn R.
West Ham U. v. Tottenham H.

Division II.

Barnsley v. Portsmouth.
Chelsea v. Wolves.
Hull C. v. Preston N.E.
Manchester C. v. Darlington.
Notts C. v. Bradford C.
Oldham A. v. Nottingham F.
Reading v. Grimsby T.

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OTTAWA, April 14th.

The World's Championship Professional Ice Hockey has been won by Ottawa "Canators," who defeated the Boston "Bruins" by 3 goals to 1 in the final of the Stanley Cup competition in the presence of 10,000 spectators.

Division III. (Northern).
Doncaster R. v. Rotherham U.
Halifax T. v. Tranmere R.
Rochdale v. Barrow.

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REDMOND BEATS TRAMBITZKY

LAST YEAR'S "CRACKS" IN
FORM.

Good progress was made in the Open Singles Championship yesterday when five matches were decided on the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts in the presence of a large number of spectators. The event is now well advanced and there are now only ten players left in, of whom six have entered the fourth round. M. W. Lo meets Capt. Morris and Col. Russell Brown meets Ng Sze Cheung for entry to the fourth round.

Ground conditions were still slippery and the players did not get about the courts at all comfortably. Redmond surprised Trambitzky by beating him in straight sets. The loser started badly and took only one game in the first set, but thereafter improved. He did not, however, play his usual game and did not appear to be very good condition. Redmond had the better of his opponent in long rallies.

Honda, the holder, played with great accuracy against Cornaby whom he beat, as expected. Cornaby worked hard and saved many difficult shots, but was often driven out of position. In the last set he did very creditably by taking the score to 5-3 in his favour, but Honda, who had fallen off somewhat, asserted himself and won the next four games and the match. The champion now meets the winner of Col. Russell Brown and Ng Sze Cheung, who last week played an unfinished match.

H. D. Rumjahn also won his way to the fourth round by beating Edo in straight sets. The Japanese opened well and his hard hitting put Rumjahn off a great deal. He brought the scores to 5-3 all in the first set, but could not hold his own against his opponent's attack in the next two games and in the following two sets. Rumjahn has shown much improvement in his form and play this season and should figure prominently in the concluding rounds. He now meets Redmond.

S. A. Rumjahn, last year's runner-up, met and defeated Henderson in straight sets also and now qualifies to meet the winner of M. W. Lo and Capt. Morris in the fourth round. Ground conditions troubled the winner less than his opponent, who found it difficult to get a firm footing. Henderson did well in the second set and sent over a good many stinging and winning shots. On a dry court he would have given the same opponent a tougher game. Rumjahn finished the match strongly, driving consistently with both forehand and backhand.

Capt. Morris entered the third round by disposing of Stark and now meets M. W. Lo. The Captain had matters very much his own way and won without much difficulty. Three other matches in the handicapped events were also decided. The full scores are as follows:—

Open Singles.

2nd Round:—Capt. E. W. Morris beat C. C. Stark, 6-3, 6-1, 6-0.

3rd Round:—T. Honda beat W. B. Cornaby, 6-0, 6-1, 7-5; F. A. Redmond beat N. Trambitzky, 6-1, 6-4, 7-5; H. D. Rumjahn beat T. Edo, 7-5, 6-1, 6-0; S. A. Rumjahn beat R. M. Henderson, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "A."

G. Miskin (scr.) beat C. S. Hugh Jones (rec. 15), 6-3, 6-2; L. Foster (owe 5/8) beat Dr. W. L. Thomas (rec. 3/6), 6-2, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles.

L. M. S. Lloyd and W. A. Nowers (rec. 2/6) beat C. H. Eldridge and J. Hall (rec. 4/6), 6-4, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Open Doubles.

3rd Round:—Major W. B. Stevenson and Rev. E. P. W. Stevenson v. Yew Man Tsun and Yew Man Kit.

Club Singles.

Capt. Howard v. S. M. Garrard.

Handicap Singles "B."

Major J. D. S. Greig (rec. 1/6) v. W. M. Lyons (owe 15/6); T. Megarty (owe 3/6) v. H. V. Parker (rec. 15).

The courts are open for to-morrow also, but up to the time of writing no matches had been fixed.

The first match to be played on the Sand Court will take place on Tuesday when the Rumjahns will meet N. Trambitzky and J. W. Leonard in the third round of the Open Doubles.

LAWN BOWLS.

KOWLOON CLUB'S ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING.

A PROSPEROUS YEAR.

That the financial results had exceeded all expectations was pointed out in the chairman's speech at the annual general meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club last night. The chairman (Mr. J. S. McIntosh) continued that in normal times a similar result would have elicited favourable comment. That it had been achieved in a period of stress and trial in all phases of trade and commerce spoke volumes not only for the time and labour devoted to the club's affairs by officials and committee, but for the whole-hearted co-operation of the members generally.

Demolishing the old club house and erecting the new naturally carried the minds of the older members back to the pioneer work done by the founders of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—Messrs. Wm. Ramsey, A. Ritchie, A. Ewing, J. Kyles, E. C. Wilkes, H. Shoolbred, J. Allen, W. C. Jack, and James MacDonald. These gentlemen introduced the game of lawn bowls to the colony on a disused tennis court beside Observatory Villa.

The new club house had been described as adding greatly to the amenities of Kowloon, and for its erection and supervision they were indebted to Mr. Keith and Mr. Wylie, Mr. Keith for drafting the original plans which had been adhered to almost without alteration, and Mr. Wylie for the shrewdness and foresight necessary to the construction of a new club house.

The Belfast Cup, added the chairman, which was presented by Mr. McKirdy, an old friend and member, had been won by Mr. P. T. Farrell.

Mr. J. T. Dobbie, seconding the motion, said that the reason why the club had so many young bowlers was the reputation of special nights at the beginning of last season. The fruits of this admirable policy should be reaped in some manner during the coming season. Since the club was recognised as the pioneer of lawn bowls in the Colony, there was no reason why it should not also be recognised as the nursery of young players. Only people who had been "exiled" to a country where there was no bowling could testify to the great pleasure to be derived from a club purely for bowling.

The election of officers was as follows: President, Mr. C. Bond, Vice-president, Mr. B. Wylie; Secretary, Mr. A. Chapman; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. P. Lapsley. Mr. Wylie, in proposing Mr. Chapman, said that the latter was an excellent bowler, and at the same time he was a new member and one of the younger men. It was to such members that the club looked to carry on in years to come.

A Life Member.

Mr. W. Russell was elected a life member and Mr. R. Lapsley, in proposing him, said that Mr. Russell was one of the oldest members present. The Kowloon Bowling Green Club was the first club he had joined in Hong Kong, and he had spent more time there than any other player.

Mr. Russell, replying, said that he joined the club in 1904, when it was only half its present size. The old club house was about where the gate now stood and there was only one green. Mr. Ramsay used to look after the greens, and he was one of the club's leading men in those days. After Mr. Ramsay had gone, he (Mr. Russell) took over the greens about 20 years ago—and had looked after them ever since.

Mr. Wylie then proposed that a fund be opened for the purchase of prizes during the coming seasons, subscriptions to be limited to \$2. The chairman seconded and this was agreed to.

The general committee for the coming year is as follows:—W. Russell, R. Lapsley, D. Gow, D. Hazell, P. T. Farrell, D. Keith, J. Hyde. Mr. Wylie moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Lapsley for the manner in which he had performed his task; and Mr. Gow moved a similar vote to the Building Committee, both of which, were, of course, "carried unanimously."

Donors Of Prizes.

The donors of prizes are as follows:—Messrs. J. D. Thompson and T. Ferguson (for tennis); Mr. C. Ewins (for tennis); Messrs. C. Bond, B. Wylie, P. T. Farrell, and D. Gow; Messrs. Hazell, Ferguson and Co. (Dundee Cup); Henderson & Co. (Tyneside Cup); Capt. Branch, Mr. Rundell, Mr. Purlow; Messrs. Bond & Hatt (Canning Town Cup); Messrs. Russell & Co. (Galway Cup); J. Dobbie (Ayrshire Cup); R. L. Dickson & Co. (Belcast Cup); Messrs. J. H. Donithorne, J. W. Matthews, D. Harvey, A. Chapman Beach; Messrs. Wylie and Dobbie (Press Cup).

TIBETAN LIFE.

DESCRIBED BY REV. T.
SORENSEN.

ROBBERS WHO PRAY BEFORE
THEY PREY.

The Rev. Theo Sorensen of Ta Tsien Lu-Dartsendo, in the Tibetan Marches, the most prominent Tibetan gateway from China to Lhasa, and to all sections of the Roof of the World, was the chief guest of the Lion's International meeting at Tientsin. The Rev. T. Sorensen in his address spoke of the customs and manner of life in Tibet.

Tibet is easiest approached from Darjeeling on the Indian border, where, he said, he went about 30 years ago, and from there he travelled through Sikkim to the border of Tibet and could have reached Lhasa in two weeks, but no Europeans or American is permitted to penetrate from there into Lhasa, so he went back to Calcutta and from there to Shanghai and started on the 2,800 miles long western route along the Yangtze until he reached Ta Tsien Lu-Dartsendo, after crossing the two ten thousand feet high passes of the Eastern Himalayas. The Chinese-Tibetan gateway lies at an elevation of 9,000 feet. From there Tibetan wool, musk, skins, furs, medical herbs, etc., are transported into China for export abroad, and from China great quantities of Szechwan tea are imported into Tibet, as the Tibetans' meal mostly consists of tea with butter dissolved in same and the Tamba barley flour preparation. All Tibetans are very religious, including even the robbers. Once on his journeys he lost his route and penetrated a mountain surrounded by valleys where Tibetan robbers always camped.

They took him prisoner but ultimately let him go without harm, as they well knew, that in his home at Ta Tsien Lu, any Tibetan would find an open door and real hospitality. Tibetan robbers, before robbing a caravan or even committing a murder, recite the prayer (Om Mani Padme Hum—The Lord in the Lotus flower). At Ta Tsien Lu Tibetans from all over Tibet continuously arrive and always put up at the same inn, as for instance those from Lhasa in the "Lhasa Inn," those from Derge or Chamdo in the respective hostelry, and so also those from Shigatse or Tashi Lumpo.

Country Of Small Towns. Tibetans are fine horsemen. They always carry two swords, one each on the right and left hip and also a gun. The towns in Tibet are not very large, Lhasa has only some 14,000 inhabitants, Tashi Lumpo has probably only 4,000 to 5,000, otherwise this vast country nowhere shows a dense population, but nomads move with their tents from place to place, taking along their cattle and belonging. One could not enter a tent unless invited to as this is not only bad form, but may provoke serious opposition.

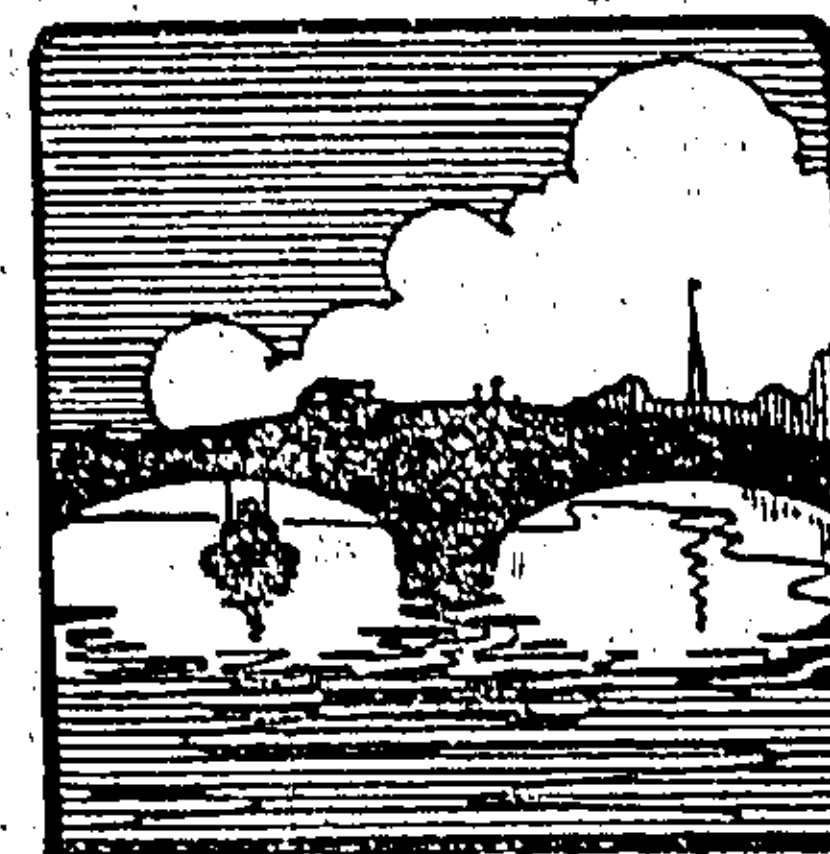
He once saw in a tent, where he had been invited to visit, an old lady turning with her string a distant praying wheel. When this old lady died she was carried with great pomp and rites to the top of the mountain, where her body was cut to pieces and the flesh eaten by big vultures, the bones were ground to powder and mixed with Tamba-flour, so that the vultures could even devour this part of the body. Such customs account for the fact, that on a journey, no graves are seen, as even the poor are wrapped up when they die and thrown into a river.

Thousands Of Lamas. Only when crossing the stupendous 16,000 to 20,000 feet high pathways can one observe the bones of human bodies, and those of yaks and mules of caravans, which had perished in the blizzards during their journey. On this journey many Lamaseries are passed which are often inhabited by many thousands of Lamas, housed in buildings round the main Temple with its huge gilded Gods. Lamas come from all classes of people in Tibet, as every home sends some of its sons to the Lamaseries to become priests, but amongst them are very few who know anything of the world or even of the philosophy of Buddha. He several times had penetrated into Tibet and had also been in Chamdo which is considered centre of Tibet.

He spoke of the invasion of the Chinese under Chao Er Feng, whose army devastated the country and made an end to the ruling of the eighteen semi-independent states of Eastern Tibet. Since, things have changed again, as Tibet with its army of 30,000 men has regained part of the lost territory. He regretted the death of the King of Chala who resided at Ta Tsien Lu and who had been met by Mr. Emil S. Fischer in Mr. Sorensen's home, when Fischer came on his Western journey to the Tibetan borderland. The house of the Chala Kings had ruled for 700 years, but by the political conditions of the last 16 or 20 years it had come to an end. They were at the head of a tribe of Tibetans numbering probably 300,000 people, spread over this Eastern border.

Mr. Sorensen also spoke of the Panchan Lama, that high Lama who is incarnated as Amitaba, to whom he spoke for almost an hour in Peking. He is spiritually even superior to the Dalai Lama. The former's political ideas are favourable to Chinese suzerainty, while the actual priestly head and Pope over Tibet, in his modern ways of ruling, has no such inclinations. The present Dalai Lama of Lhasa is about 50 years old, and is the only head of the Tibetan Church who has ever reached such an age, as all his predecessors died before they were twenty.—Peking and Tientsin Times.

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The lowest priced rooms contain washstand, bed and usual conveniences while the \$12 rooms have settees, couches, writing desks, easy chairs, wardrobes and all the adjuncts of a first-class apartment in a modern Western hotel.

Chinese meals and European meals are alike catered for, the cuisine and accommodation being suitable for European and Chinese guests alike. The hotel has an adjacent licence. It might also be mentioned that operators are in attendance at the phone at all hours.

The Hotel, which is of seven storeys, with a very fine entrance hall from Connaught Road, is fitted throughout in excellent taste and is under the management of the Empress Hotels, Ltd., the managing director being Mr. Ma Tan Lam; Secretary, Mr. Ho Shui Sang, son of Mr. Ho Wah Tong, compradore of W. R. Loxley & Co.; and Manager, Mr. Fung Pak Lum. The contractor responsible for the building is Mr. Lam Toie.

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TUNG SHAN HOTEL.

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The Tung Shan Hotel, situated at Nos. 37, 38 and 39, Connaught Road West, which has been under construction for the past fourteen months is now nearing completion and will be open to the public on Sunday. To celebrate its completion an "At Home" is being held at the Hotel to-morrow (Saturday).

Designed and erected under the supervision of the well known firm of architects, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, with Mr. W. A. Cornell, L.R.S.B.A., P.A.S.I. in charge of the work, the hotel is constructed throughout with reinforced cement concrete and from the pavement level to the roof is 100 feet high, there being eight storeys.

The ground floor contains the entrance hall, lounge and reception clerk's office. An electric passenger lift serves all floors and the roof garden. There is also a large restaurant with the usual kitchens, etc., at back, where Chinese and European meals are prepared by first-class chefs.

The mezzanine floor contains a barber's shop, manager's office, and private dining room.

The six upper floors each contain 10 bedrooms, and each bedroom is fitted with a wash-hand basin with hot and cold water laid on. All the rooms are furnished with the best blackwood furniture. Bath rooms are provided with European baths, hot and cold water, and flush system throughout.

The building was erected by the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Co. Ltd.

The sanitary fittings, plumbing, hot and cold water installations have been carried out by Messrs. Lee Kee under the supervision of Mr. Lee in Cheung.

This firm also laid the terrazzo flooring on all upper floors and the mosaic paving on the ground floor. The electric passenger lift has been supplied by Messrs. Waygood Otis, Ltd., and installed by Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. The steel casements have been supplied by Messrs. Henry Hope & Sons, Ltd., through their local agent, Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. A fire hydrant has been installed on each floor, the work being carried out by The Jardine Engineering Corporation, Ltd., Messrs. Merryweather's materials being used throughout. The roof is covered with rubberized roofing laid by The United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd. The electric lighting installation has been carried out by The Kai Ming Co. Simplex Plaster partitions have been used for all internal walls. Yale locks are fitted to all doors. Facing the harbour the building commands a very good view.

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King's College Division	6,887
Railway Division	4,327
Indian Division	5,324
Kowloon Division	23,100
St. Joseph's College Division	1,195
Mongkok Division	5,785
Victoria Nursing Division	71
Shaukiwan Division	4,401
Un Lok Division	414
Total	78,008

THE POLITICAL MUDDLE.

GENERAL LI TSAI HSIN RETURNS.

RESULT OF TRADE SUSPENSION.

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(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The Canton City Kuomintang Executive Committee, of which Mr. Sun Fo is still a member, has passed a resolution refusing to recognise the authority of the Central Executive Committee at Hankow. As Mr. Sun Fo is also a member of this Hankow committee it will be realised that the political muddle is becoming each day more difficult to understand.

General Li Tsai Hsin, Officer Commanding the Troops in Kwangtung, who was in Shanghai last week conferring with General Chiang Kai Shek, has returned to Canton with several other Kuomintang local leaders.

It is generally admitted that the reason for not holding the "anti-imperialist" demonstration on April 12th was a fear of a clash between the extremists and the moderates of the Mechanics' Union. Every effort is now being made to prevent these labour fights.

The Canton Christian College at Honglok, Canton, once the most flourishing educational institution in South China, with upwards of a thousand students, is now a "deserted village." The teachers and students who have left are hoping that the "Reds," who have brought matters to this pass, will be controlled before the end of the Easter holidays, but according to those who have been watching the struggle between the rival parties at close quarters, this is a somewhat optimistic view to take.

Mrs. Kan Nei Kuang, wife of one of the foremost "Reds" in Canton, has informed newspaper representatives that her husband is well in Shanghai. One of the papers printed a report that Mr. Kan had been arrested. The non-appearance at his office of Mr. Sun Ping Wen, the Chief Political Agent of the Kuomintang attached to the Canton General Headquarters, has given rise to a good many rumours. Some say that Mr. Sun is visiting Hankow; others believe he has been "detained" by the pro-Chiang Kai Shek militarists in Canton.

On April 2nd the "Reds" at Mei Kiang, Kityang, raided a school and took 21 students into custody according to reports from Swatow. It is understood that the Party leaders have given orders for these "prisoners" to be rescued. It is true to say that the "Reds" in the larger centres are being brought under control but their "comrades" in the interior are still free to do what they will with the helpless inhabitants.

It was decided some time ago that two express trains should be run daily from Canton to Kowloon. The authorities of the Chinese section of the railway now find, however, that they cannot carry out this plan owing to lack of rolling stock and locomotives. It is reported that the British section is willing to provide the locomotives if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The suspension of the British and the American oil trade in Wuchow, Kowloon and other ports has forced up the price of kerosene and other products. In some places kerosene is now selling at \$7 a tin or \$14 a case.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TO ALL "METHODISTS" IN THE COLONY OF HONG KONG.

DEAR FELLOW METHODISTS.—By the courtesy of the Editor of the *Hong Kong Daily Press*, I am taking this opportunity of giving you a special personal invitation to, and urging you to attend the Methodist Family Gathering which is to take place at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai, on Wednesday, April 20th, an advertisement of which appears in another part of this paper.

Those of you who are unable to be regularly with us will have an opportunity of meeting old friends and recalling and rejoicing in many personal memories and associations, and we shall all be again reminded of that great common heritage which is bearing such abundant fruit today in closer comradeship and co-operation in Christian Service.

The invitation extends, of course, to members and adherents of all the Methodist Churches, and greetings from various Presidents and Bishops in England, America and Australia have been sent to me specially for this gathering. Come and hear them and join us also in singing some of the old Methodist hymns our fathers loved.—With cordial greetings, Yours faithfully, J. C. KNIGHT-ANSTEE.

THE HONG KONG LABOUR UNION.

CONDITIONAL ORDER AGAINST PROPERTY.

As a result of the closing of the Head Hong Kong Labour Union by Government Proclamation dated April 1st, Mr. T. H. King (Director of Criminal Intelligence) yesterday made an application for the immediate forfeiture of all property in the Union's premises on the third floor of No. 73, Des Vaux Road West.

The Magistrate made a conditional order to be executed within a week, thus permitting *bona fide* claims to be made in the meantime.

THE DOGS "BLACK MARIA."

INGENIOUS METHODS OF "ARREST."

A Police Department motor-cycle that has, instead of the usual side-car combination, an iron cage in which are collected stray or ferocious dogs is now in use. This machine has become a familiar sight with residents, since it often makes several trips in a day to the depot at Kennedy Town with a full catch of all sorts of dogs.

A simple method of catching the dogs has been devised. A bamboo pole, long enough to give a sufficient reach, is used to catch the animal. The pole has a noose fastened on to the end in which the dog is caught. It is then hung bodily into the cage.

A shot-gun, with which the Sergeant is also equipped on these rounds, enables the officer to carry out his work with dispatch when the circumstances necessitate the use of such a weapon.

A SUSPICIOUS CUSTOMER.

A Chinese found by Sergt. Carey behaving in a suspicious manner in a lane off Hollywood Road on Wednesday was searched and a police whistle stamped with the initials H.K.P. was found in his possession.

The man was charged before Major C. Willson yesterday with possession of the whistle. He said he was formerly employed in the prison department and had forgotten to return the whistle when he left.

A fine of \$25 or 14 days' imprisonment was imposed.

PROPERTY SALES.

YAUMATI SHOPS AND DWELLINGS.

PART OF ESTATE OF LATE MR. M. J. D. STEPHENS.

Leasehold properties situated at Yaumati and Mongkok, Kowloon, were put up at the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon in five lots, but only two lots were sold.

The sale was conducted by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, acting under instructions of the executor of the will of the late Mr. Matthew John Denman Stephens.

The first lot comprised three storied Chinese shops and dwellings, built of brick and stone with tiled roofs, Nos. 184 to 178 (even numbers), Reclamation Street, Yaumati. The premises are held under the Crown for the term of 75 years from February 10th, 1930. The area is 5,920 square feet, and the Crown rent is \$80 per annum.

The properties were put up in one lot, at an upset price of \$30,000. Bids were of \$300, but at \$30,500 there were no further bids and the lot was withdrawn, the reserve price not having been reached. The lot was then divided into eight separate lots, and offered at an upset price of \$8,000 per lot. There were no bids, and the properties were again withdrawn.

Lot 2 comprised other three storied Chinese shops and dwellings, Nos. 184 to 200 (even numbers), Reclamation Street, Yaumati, constructed in the same manner as the above, except that they have verandahs over the public pathway. They are held under the Crown for the term of 75 years from April 27th, 1895. They have an area of 6,720 square feet, and the annual Crown rental is \$93.

Of the nine houses in this lot, five were withdrawn before the sale. Three houses, Nos. 190, 192 and 194 were then put up at upset price of \$15,000, and were sold to Mr. Wing Hong for \$18,600. The remaining house, No. 200 started at \$6,400, and was sold to Mr. Tang Kwai Yuen for \$8,400.

Lot 3 comprised Nos. 202 to 220 (even numbers) Reclamation Street, Yaumati, and were also similar shops and dwellings to Lot 2. These premises are held under the Crown for the term of 75 years from January 10th, 1899, renewable for a further term of 75 years. The area of the lot is 7,564 square feet, and the annual Crown rental \$106. These ten houses were started at \$50,000, with bids of \$500 acceptable, and were knocked down to Mr. Li Hoi Tung for \$60,000.

Lot 4, comprising No. 541, Shanghai Street, Mongkok, a three storied Chinese shop and dwelling house, similarly constructed as the others, held under a Crown lease for the term of 75 years from November 26th, 1900, and renewable for a similar term and having an area of 727 square feet, and a Crown rental per annum of \$8, was withdrawn before the sale.

Lot 5, comprising a building site, suitable for erecting Chinese shops and dwelling houses, held under Crown lease of 75 years from May 28th, 1900, and renewable for a further similar term of years, and having an area of 6,747 square feet, and an annual Crown rental of \$76, was also withdrawn, there being no advance on the upset price of \$1,500.

All the houses referred to are at present let out on monthly tenancies only.

ANOTHER SALE.

Another property sale was held at the salesroom of Messrs. Rocha and Whitely & Co., No. 2, D'Aguiar Street, yesterday afternoon, by order of the mortgagee.

The leasehold property consists of ground on Section H of Marine Lot No. 239, held for the term of 999 years from March 31st, 1873. The area is 4,382 square feet, and the annual Crown rental \$3.23.

The upset price was \$4,000, with bids of \$200 acceptable. Mr. Fung Hing Yip became the purchaser, after brisk bidding, for \$15,500.

CHINESE LUKONG GAOLED.

ANOTHER TO BE REPORTED TO C.S.P.

TROUBLE OVER A FREE SHOW AT TAIPING THEATRE.

When a Chinese constable was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, yesterday on a charge of assault, it was stated that lukongs on the beat at Queen's Road West, were in the habit of going into the Taiping Theatre for "free shows," but in this present case, the constable charged abused the hospitality of his hosts by bringing a friend and thereby hangs a tale.

Chinese constable No. 457 was charged with assaulting a ticket collector of the Taiping Theatre on April 6th. It was stated in evidence that the defendant had hitherto been admitted into that theatre free, but on this occasion he brought a friend. The complainant refused to admit this extra man, whereupon the defendant seized the complainant and raised his hand in a threatening attitude. An Indian guard employed at the theatre intervened, and had the defendant ejected.

The defendant knowing quite well that the complainant was in the habit of going to a certain restaurant after the show for his supper, waited for him there. Complainant after his customary meal was accosted by the defendant, who, on the pretence of searching him, struck him.

Corroborative evidence was given by complainant's son, a fellow ticket collector and the Indian guard.

Defendant in the witness box told the Magistrate that he had never been to the Taiping Theatre either on that occasion or before. His version of the story was that he was on duty and on seeing the complainant walking about in a suspicious manner, he stopped him. When searching him, he met with resistance. He was unable to tackle complainant alone so he blew his whistle and another lukong came to his assistance. The two of them were still unable to overcome the complainant and further assistance had to be called and after a further struggle, they got complainant to the Police Station. The inspector on duty made a search and finding nothing incriminating, he let the complainant go. Out of spite, the complainant made a report against him (defendant).

Defendant called the other lukong concerned in the case but this man was found by the Magistrate to have been in Court while defendant was in the witness box. His evidence proved contradictory, and His Worship told Inspector Grant, who was watching the case on behalf of the Police, to report him to the Captain Superintendent of Police.

His Worship found the defendant guilty and sentenced him to 8 weeks' hard labour and ordered him to pay \$20 compensation to the complainant, or in default, he would have to serve another two weeks' imprisonment.

CAR AND MOTOR-CYCLE COLLIDE.

MR. F. ZIMMERN INJURED.

Mr. Fred Zimmer, of No. 5, Seymour Terrace, was injured as a result of a motor collision on Wednesday afternoon in Seymour Road.

He was thrown from his motor-cycle through colliding with a motor-car while rounding the bend at the lower end of the road, and injured in the left arm. He was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

The collision occurred when Mr. Zimmer's machine and a motor-car owned by a Mr. Mok were approaching the bend from opposite directions. Both parties were driving slowly at the time and the impact was therefore but a slight one.

Mr. Zimmer was thrown from his seat, and fell on his arm.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE NEW FERRY STEAMER.

MOTOR BUS COMPLAINTS.

The monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association was held in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Monday evening. In the absence of the President, Mr. W. J. Stokes, Mr. B. Wylie was in the chair and welcomed the Rev. W. Walton Rogers on joining the Committee.

A letter from the Star Ferry Co., Ltd., stated that the Company was considering the construction of a new ferry steamer of approximately the same size as the four vessels recently built. The Committee was asked for suggestions in the matter of increasing the comfort and convenience of the public. After some discussion, it was pointed out that larger gangways should be provided to facilitate the discharge of passengers. It was also suggested that a copy of the plans of the new vessel might be forwarded to the Committee.

Complaints had been received from residents at Kowloon Tong regarding the absence of a motor bus service to and from that quarter. One of the Bus Companies had expressed a desire to run a service but could not proceed until the roads had been made suitable. It was pointed out that the Military Authorities ran motor vehicles over these roads which had recently been prepared and lighted. The Committee decided to write the Bus Companies in Kowloon and failing satisfaction, to approach the Government.

Tenants of Chinese shops in Yaumati complained to the Association that their landlord was raising rents or, as an alternative, giving notice to quit. The Committee, while sympathising with the residents, felt it was a matter in which it could not intervene.

The question of the Association undertaking to arrange open air band concerts during the summer months was discussed at length but, in view of the many contingencies involved, it was decided not to do anything.

The following new members had joined the Association: Messrs. W. F. Fincher, J. T. Cotton, Colin Mackenzie and Miss M. Mooney.

DYNAMITE AND WOOD.

STANLEY VILLAGERS PUNISHED.

GOVERNMENT PLANTATION DAMAGED.

Great damage has been wrought by firewood hunters in Government plantations on the hillside at Stanley. When a search was made at the hut of one of the villagers on Wednesday, police officers found two 9-foot pine logs, several large pieces of similar timber which showed marks of having been recently cut, and a huge pile of chopped wood. Three lbs. of dynamite, which was also discovered concealed in the hut, was included in the exhibits placed before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Police Court yesterday.

On the first count of possessing the two pine logs, the defendant was fined \$100, or six weeks. On another count in respect of the chopped wood, he was fined \$250, or three months, while for being in possession of the dynamite, defendant was fined \$75, or fourteen days.

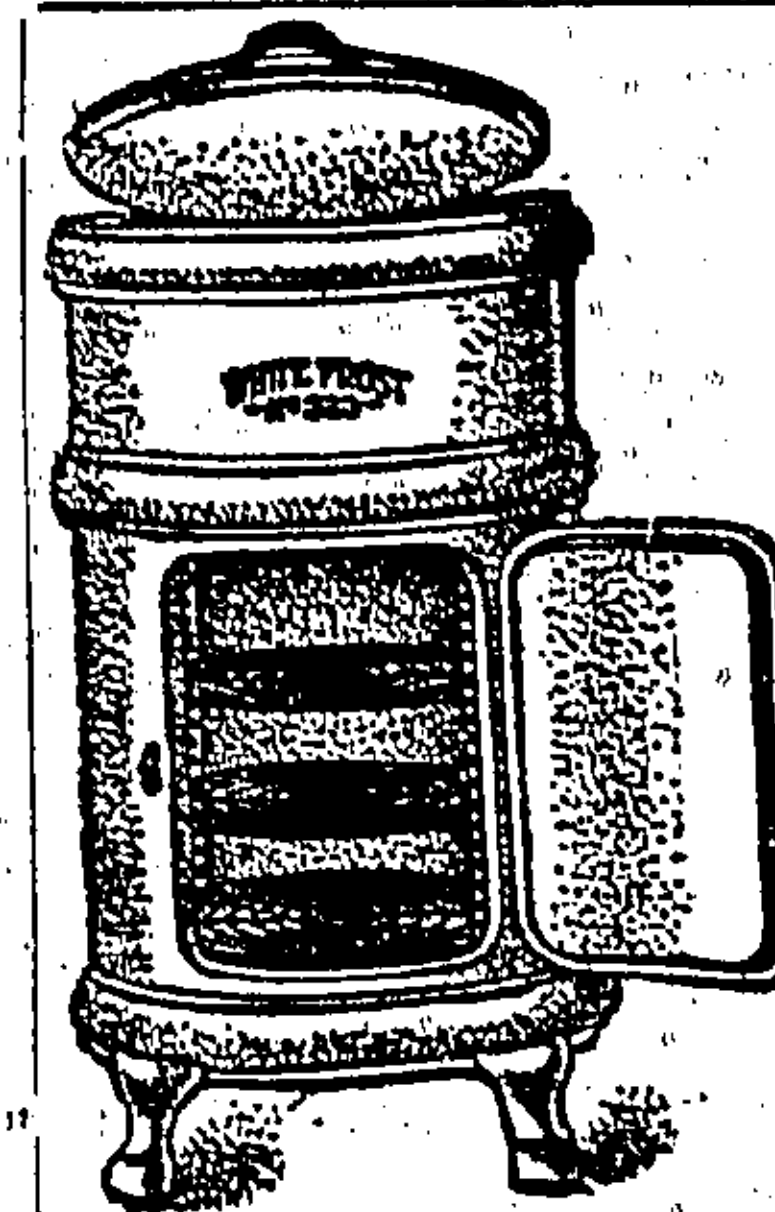
A Chinese woman also a villager of Stanley, replying to a charge of being in possession of nine sticks of dynamite, said that her nine-year-old child picked up the explosive from the roadside and brought it home.

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A fine of \$30, or three weeks' imprisonment was imposed.

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Each Member has the right to introduce 2 Non-members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LINTZ & DAVIS at \$3.00 Each Per Day up to THURSDAY, 14th APRIL, 1927.
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th APRIL to the 23rd APRIL, 1927, both days inclusive.
Dated this 7th day of April, 1927.
By Order of the Board,
R. GUY WILKINSON,
Secretary,
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong. [4796]

FANLING HUNT STEEPLECHASES.

NOTICE
The Postponed EASTER MEETING of the FANLING HUNT will be held on **SATURDAY, APRIL 30th.**
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D. DAVIES,
Secretary, SANITARY BOARD
2nd April 1927. [4787]

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DEVELOPING EMPIRE AIR ROUTES.

There were passages in the speech of the Minister for Air, Sir SAMUEL HOARE, in the House of Commons when he presented the estimates for the Air Service which bordered on the romantic. Like a good flying man, who recently went by aeroplane from England to India and back, again accompanied by his wife—he carried members off their feet. The estimates, he said, were down by 3 per cent. and the Air Force up by 10 per cent. The cost of the war command in the Middle East had been reduced since 1921 from £20,000,000 to £2,000,000. There is now an Empire air policy which was being illustrated by co-operative flights from end to end of Africa, while Canada and South Africa were erecting mooring masts for use on the Imperial routes. The air, like the sea, encircled the Empire, and the proper use of it would reduce expenditure upon Imperial defence. Speed was economy and aeroplanes and airships were speed.

The possibilities as regards the future seem illimitable. It sounds somewhat like a fairy tale, but the Air Minister assured the House that soon a squadron that was to-day training upon Salisbury Plain might in less than a week be flying in the Middle East and in less than a fortnight on the North West Frontier

of India. The Air Ministry are constructing two airships capable of transporting 200 fully armed men and a complete squadron of aeroplanes. Landing grounds for the flying-boats to Singapore were in preparation, and flying-boats were to fly to the Far East to co-operate with the Royal Australian Air Force. The principles he had laid down, said Sir SAMUEL HOARE, were just as applicable to civil as to military aviation.

"We are not surprised that as members listened they began to suspect that they were being hypnotised. They wondered whether the tale unfolded by the Air Minister was not a chapter from a new edition of the 'Arabian Nights.'"

Suspicion almost amounted to conviction when Sir SAMUEL proceeded to describe the wonderful flight of himself and his wife over 10,000 miles of sea, desert and mountain to India. Since he had blazed the trail, he said, there had been crowds of passengers. Already the business men of Karachi are using the new aeroplane service between Cairo and Karachi, and on more than one occasion there have been scraphears in the machine between Baghdad and Basra. Strap-hangers! Just like the trains on the London Underground Railway between the Bank and Oxford Circus! "When I visited the N.W. frontier of India recently," said Sir SAMUEL, "I asked some of the Royal Air Force officers who took part in an operation against tribesmen last year how they accounted for the absence of casualties among the tribesmen." The answer was unexpected: "We first drove them into their caves, and the fleas were so bad in the caves that the fleas almost immediately made them surrender."

As might be supposed, the Socialists sounded a note of depreciation. They can see nothing in the realm of achievement on the part of the Royal Air Force except that the ultimate aim and end of British endeavour is war. Soon we should have the finest air force in the world, was the grudging admission, and then France would want to have a Force better still. Why not go to the preparatory conference at Geneva with bold and dramatic proposals and capture the imagination of the world by advocating the abolition of the fighting aeroplane? It would be an essential precaution afterwards to transfer the commercial air services of all countries to the League of Nations to be operated as one international service.

Needless to say this line of argument left the House of Commons cold. Nor is it an argument which finds an echo in the country. Great Britain is justly proud of the R.A.F., and it is certainly not in accord with public opinion to do aught that would hamper the development of aviation. British air policy does not wait upon the pleasure of Geneva, and the League of Nations is scarcely the authority to dictate to the Empire. The Prime Minister, who intervened in the debate, paid a glowing tribute to the skill and courage of the R.A.F., which he described as "one of the marvels of our time." "There is no finer spirit in the world," said Mr. BALDWIN, "than there is in our Air Force." We can remain well content to leave it at that. In the meantime British policy is to be directed to bringing England within two days of Canada, five days of India, six days of South Africa, and eleven days of Australia.

The ship's company of H.M.S. Danae held a very successful dance at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant last evening.

Mrs. Wodehouse, wife of Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., is among the passengers on the P. & O. *Africa* due here on Saturday.

A Chinese girl who was bitten by a dog at Shaikwan on Wednesday, received treatment at the hospital. The dog was taken to Kennedy Town.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., Ltd. (Hong Kong Station), announce that normal working with Shanghai, and beyond, has been re-established.

No less than four fresh cases of small-pox were reported on Wednesday. One case of enteric fever and one of puerperal fever were also notified. All the patients were Chinese.

As the result of a free fight between some Chinese emigrants living at the Chu Yik boarding house, No. 6, North Street, one man was badly injured and had to be taken to the hospital.

Mr. W. A. Watson, General Agent, Canadian National Railways, Singapore, proceeded on leave on April 12th. Mr. G. M. Hemsworth, Hong Kong, will act for him during his absence.

Mr. E. C. H. Wolff has been gazetted as Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements. Mr. G. Hemmant, who has been acting since the departure of Mr. Hayes Marriott, sailed for home by the *Macedonia*.

A Chinese, who attempted to bring 2½ gallons of Chinese wine into the Colony without paying duty was fined \$15 or ten days at the Central Magistracy yesterday, by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Revenue Officer Warden prosecuted.

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Mrs. Luard wishes to thank all those who so kindly sent her books, papers, etc., for the Troops.

As the result of her appeal donations amounting to \$124, which included a cheque for \$125.50 as the result of a dance at the U.S.T.C., were received.

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SHANGHAI, April 14th.

A serious clash between workers and soldiers took place at Shanghai when a number of the former attempted to rush into General Chow Feng Chi's headquarters. Fully 100 workers are stated to have been killed.

Another Labour Organisation.

As the General Labour Union has been dissolved by General Pai Chung Hsi, the labour leaders intend to form another organisation to be called "The Workers' Confederate Organisation."

Workers At Variance.

(Wah Tse Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 14th.

The General strike, which had been ordered to be started yesterday, has been practically paralysed owing to the various opinions circulating among the workers on the matter. Employees of the Post Office, telegraphic offices and many other public utilities intend to retain their jobs.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai Labour Union Dissolved.

SHANGHAI, April 13th.

General Pei Chung Hsi, commanding the eastern division of the Nationalist Army, has issued an official proclamation dissolving the General Labour Union.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Portuguese Transport With 400 Troops.

LISBON, April 13th.

A transport is on its way to Macao with munitions, and will stop at Lourenco Marques, where 400 troops will embark.

THE BRITISH TROOPS AT SHANGHAI.

A QUERY IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 14th.

In the House of Commons, in reply to Miss Lawrence, Sir L. Worthington-Evans said that the British troops were not employed to picket the Soviet Consulate at Shanghai and search all entering or leaving. He asked for notice of a question as to whether there had been any consultation between the Chief of Police and the General in Command, as he was unable to answer it without communicating with Shanghai.

THE MEMORANDUM ON LABOUR IN CHINA.

AN INTERESTING SUGGESTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 14th.

Mr. Herbert Williams suggested that in view of the public importance of its contents, the Memorandum of the labour conditions in China, just published, officially, should be issued at a price of one penny.

POLICY OF FRANCE IN CHINA.

WHAT THE "MANCHESTER GUARDIAN" THINKS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 14th.

The Manchester Guardian's Paris correspondent describes France's policy in China as a following in the lead of Japan, and says that France believes that Japan will ultimately be omnipotent in the Far East and that France, like Japan, is reluctant to be embroiled unnecessarily with the Soviet.

THE FOREIGN CONCESSIONS IN CHINA.

GENEROUS FRENCH TRIBUTE TO THE BRITISH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 14th.

Great Britain's action in sending troops to Shanghai is praised by the *Echo de Paris* which says that it is this that has encouraged the foes of Communism in China to rally and turn on their enemies. There are still many "rocks ahead," but if foreign settlements survive in China it will be to Downing Street that their gratitude will be due.

JAPAN'S MANCHURIAN GARRISON.

MAY BE DOUBLED IN STRENGTH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 14th.

The Japanese garrison in Manchuria is expected to be increased by being doubled for the time being. The 14th Division is going to Manchuria to relieve the 10th Division, whose service overseas has expired, but, owing to the situation, it is believed that the 10th will be retained temporarily.

JAPANESE FEARS.

AN URGENT REQUEST FROM PEKING FOR PROTECTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 13th.

The Japanese Residents' Association has wired to the Premier, Mr. Wakatsuki, the Foreign Minister, Baron Shidehara, the War and Navy Ministers, earnestly requesting the Government to send reinforcements to Peking to protect Japanese lives and property, and enable the Japanese to carry on their avocations.

THE JAPANESE HANKOW CONCESSION.

BEING STRONGLY HELD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, April 14th.

The Japanese Concession is now controlled by the naval authorities. It is heavily barricaded and strongly held by bluejackets and volunteers and there is not the slightest idea of giving it up. Business men are especially averse to the idea and point out that the British gave up theirs from a friendly motive with the idea that it would enable them to carry on business without danger to life and property, whereas the result has been that British business is completely killed and that it is dangerous to life and limb for Britishers to walk in the streets of the ex-British Concession.

The Japanese declare that they will not be led into the same trap.

Distressing Incident.

A hitherto unreported incident during the attack on the Concession on April 3rd was that a Japanese girl of 12 years was chased by a band of 12 years was chased by a band of the upper storey of a house. Realising that she was cornered and was sure to suffer death or worse, the little girl jumped into the street below. Fortunately, a Japanese Marine was able to break her fall, enabling her to escape stunned and with only a broken leg.

HOLLAND AND CHINA.

STATEMENT BY THE DUTCH FOREIGN MINISTER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, April 13th.

In a memorandum the Foreign Minister, replying to the Upper House criticisms of the foreign estimates, says the Government is following attentively and not without anxiety the events in China. It intends to remain strictly neutral, as between the factions. Holland is ready, in agreement with the other Powers, to concede as far as possible to China's reasonable aspirations. The Government relies on the Chinese authorities doing their utmost to do justice to Dutch interests in China.

The uncertainty in Shanghai of how far the Chinese can enforce their authority in future, has caused the Netherlands to prolong the stay of the cruiser *Sumatra* for the protection of Dutch interests.

NICARAGUA'S WAR.

THE LIBERALS' DEBACLE.

AGREEMENT SIGNED.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 13th.

The Nicaraguan Legation announces that Diaz's forces have captured the entire supply of munitions belonging to Somoza's Liberal army.

General Moncada, the Liberal commander, is reported to be taking refuge in the mountains.

Important Stipulations.

LATER.

Admiral Latimer, the commander of the United States Forces in Nicaragua, has advised the State Department that representatives of the Conservatives and Liberals of Nicaragua have signed an Agreement safeguarding the foreign lumber companies and stipulating that none of the lumber plants will be molested by either of the Nicaraguan factions and that the employees also will not be molested nor the timber concessions commandeered.

An American naval officer witnessed the Agreement and any disputes with regard to it, he will finally decide.

ANGLO-GREEK DEBT.

PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 14th.

The Anglo-Greek Debt Agreement provides that Greece, in respect of her debt of £21,441,000, will pay £6,950,000 to be spread over 62 years and starting at £50,000 a year, gradually rising to £400,000.

EQUALISING THE FRANCHISE.

NO DIFFICULTIES ANTICIPATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 13th.

In the House of Commons, the Prime Minister announced that the Government would introduce in the next session a Bill equalising the franchise at the age of 21. He did not anticipate any difficulties. The voters would be polling at the next election, in 1929, unless "an unexpected catastrophe brought the present Government to an end." (Laughter.)

BANK OF TAIWAN.

GOVERNMENT'S AID.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 14th.

It is announced that the Cabinet will render unconditional aid to the Bank of Taiwan through the Bank of Japan.

GOOD FRIDAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 14th.

No newspapers are being published in England on Good Friday.

EARTHQUAKE IN MANILA.

CLOCKS STOP; DISHES CRASH.

ALSO FELT IN HONG KONG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MANILA, April 13th.

Two earthquake shocks were strongly felt in Manila to-night.

They stopped clocks, caused dishes to crash, and aroused the inhabitants, the religious starting prayers in the streets, thinking it had some connection with Holy Week.

The centre of the disturbance was about 300 miles away.

No reports have come in yet from the provinces except from Baguio, 800 miles to the north, where the shocks were strongly felt.

Hong Kong's Tremors.

Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory, has issued the following report:—

Preliminary tremors started at 9.43.30 p.m. (that is, 4½ minutes past 9 o'clock last night).

The incidence of the transverse and long waves was doubtful.

The maximum occurred at 9.48.50 p.m.; the amplitude being 13 millimetres.

Tremors lasted until 10.30 p.m. and were followed by another, smaller earthquake from 10.38 p.m. to 11.02 p.m.

EARTHQUAKE IN CHILE.

SEVERAL BUILDINGS COLLAPSE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, April 14th.

An earthquake shock was felt this morning and several buildings partially collapsed.

SETTLEMENT OF A BIG FINANCIAL TRANSACTION.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 14th.

The 18 millions sterling gold, which the Bank of England is to restore to the Bank of France, will be handed over in gold ingots, and the Bank of France will make whatever use it thinks fit of the gold. Either the gold will be brought back to Paris and lodged in the banks and safes or will be deposited with accruing interest in banks in London, New York, Amsterdam or elsewhere or sold in exchange for dollars or other appreciated currencies.

HINDU PILGRIMS CRUSHED TO DEATH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HARDWAR, April 13th.

Twenty-one women and 15 men, mostly pilgrims from the Punjab, were crushed to death, and numbers were injured, in a rush at the wooden barricades in order to be the first to bathe in the holy Ganges, in the final night of Kumbhamela, or the Hindu religious bathing ceremony, which has been going on since the beginning of March.

[Hardwar is in the Saharanpur district of the United Provinces, on the river Ganges, and is the venue of the great annual Hindu religious pilgrimage and fair.]

PROMINENT U.S.A. COMPANY SUSPENDED.

SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, April 13th.

The Armour Grain Company is reported to have been ordered to be suspended by the Chicago Board of Trade, on a drastic order alleging dishonest and wrongful acts.

Armour's, who sold as much as five million bushels of cash wheat daily, will be greatly hampered by this order, as grain transactions are, practically impossible without the facilities of the Board.

BRITISH BUDGET.

CHANCELLOR WINDS UP THE DEBATE.

REFERENCE TO CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 13th.

The British public are less grateful for benefits received than for evils averted, declared Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons when winding up the debate on the Budget.

He had nearly been hounded out of public life for his 1925 Budget, which was full of relaxations and benefits but the present Budget, which gave nothing, was greeted with undiluted satisfaction.

A Long-Established Policy.

As regards the suggestion that £4,500,000 might be saved by dropping Imperial Preference, the Chancellor said Imperial Preference was a long-established policy, and the cost thereof was the measure of its success.

As regards the cost of defence, he agreed that as the world was getting more peaceful, our foreign relations were becoming more friendly. If there was any progress towards disarmament, the size of our Air Force was subject to periodical review, but in the absence of that development we cannot interrupt our policy.

The Army And Navy.

As regards the army, our military forces were not excessive. When one saw what was going on in China, saw what was the situation in Egypt and, especially when one saw that on the frontiers of India, there was again growing up a vast military power potentially dangerous which for twenty years had not been counted in our calculations because the European situation had neutralised hostilities on that front, and moreover when one considered the position of this country and its world-wide responsibilities, and how we had already disarmed, it was a bold man who sought a ruthless reduction of military establishments.

As regards the navy, we had abdicated from the two-power standard, and submitted to a one-power standard, and before any large reduction in naval construction was possible Parliament and the country must decide whether we were prepared to abandon the one-power standard. The greatest of naval economies was an agreement by the three great naval Powers, who luckily lived in opposite corners of the earth.

A Denial.

Mr. Churchill denied that next year's finance left an unsound position. He was not counting on a tremendous boom, but in ordinary circumstances trade results, barring a great upheaval, must be incomparably better than last year's. It was true that China would certainly cost more than the estimated surplus of £1,500,000, but he preferred to make an effort to save £3,000,000 or £4,000,000, to imposing additional taxation.

The discussion concluded without a division.

THE COSTS OF COURTSHIP.

GIRLS DO NOT WANT TO PAY.

NEW YORK.

The widespread movement in favour of "girls paying their own share of 'dates' with young men" appears definitely to have failed. A consensus of opinions gathered in New York and Chicago is that "girls should let well enough alone."

The movement was started by a number of altruistic women's organisations, but a hundred girls of Chicago summarised their views as follows: "Men get more wages than we do, so they ought to do the paying. Besides we have to buy our own clothes which really are the most expensive thing about any date or party."

Other feminine opinions were: "Being too independent takes all the romance out of courtship. What is needed is a campaign against girls' gold digging." Many by being too independent with this "Dutch treat" business. Young men are proud to pay a girl's way and there's no use in stopping them."

Girls declared that the majority of their sex refrains from gold digging, and "boys are generous." They added "Women don't pay the costs of courtship and don't want to, if they can help it."

RUSSIA TO-DAY.

THE FAILURE OF COMMUNISM.

REBUILDING PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.

Mr. W. Moore Ede, writing in the

Times, gives the following interesting summary of what, according to a fair and unbiased observer, was the position in Russia to-day:

"The Communists in this country point to Russia and her recovery since the devastations of both war and famine as an illustration of the practical success of the doctrines they preach. That Russia has gone a long way towards recovery is true, but the following notes of a conversation I had recently with a friend who has been many times in Russia since the war show that such success as has been achieved has been effected by abandoning Communism."

"The ideal of Communism is the destruction of the existing social order and the substitution of another in which all ownership is vested in the community, and the people work, not for themselves, but for the welfare of the whole. This is what has happened:—

Agriculture.

The land was nationalized, the landlords expropriated. The peasants were to cultivate all the land; they were to receive sufficient for their own needs—their share; the rest was to go to the community. Result: The peasants only produced sufficient for their own needs; there was no surplus, and the towns were in danger of being starved."

To prevent this Lenin introduced the New Economic Policy, commonly known as N.E.P., which permitted the peasants to sell their surplus. The peasants have now become leaseholders who may hand on their farms to others, and are hardly to be distinguished from owners. The only real gain has been freedom from the burden of the great landlords and a wider diffusion of land ownership."

Industry.

All factories were nationalized; all were to work for equal wage. The higher-paid manager was got rid of, killed or exiled, with consequent decline in discipline and output. An equal wage, owing to decline in efficiency, meant something approaching equal starvation."

The factories have now largely recovered because, where possible, the old managers have been brought back, and it has become recognized that superior skill requires a superior wage. As an incentive to exertion piecework has been introduced. Piecework is the complete negation of Communism."

Nationalisation Of Railways.

As the railways belonged to the community every one could travel anywhere free of cost if he obtained a pass. The Government could not finance the railways and the whole system fell into a terrible condition of disrepair and became hopelessly inefficient. Eventually fares were reintroduced, and now the railway service is conducted, well conducted, in much the same way as in other countries."

Nationalisation Of Houses.

All houses were at first treated as the property of the community, and house accommodation was allotted to the various citizens by the Housing Authority. Having no inducement to take care of the rooms assigned them the citizens allowed the houses to fall into disrepair. Now houses are let to citizens on a sort of repairing lease of considerable length, with the right to preferential treatment when the lease is renewed. In other words, houses are as much private property in Russia as under London leaseholds."

Private Trading.

At first everyone was to have his needs supplied by a State-organized system of distribution which was to secure equal rations for all. This very soon broke down, and the private trader reappeared more or less surreptitiously. Various attempts were made to prevent private traders from doing business, but these attempts at suppression failed, and owing to the inefficiency of State distribution the private trader always came back, and is now accepted and carries on business much in the same way as in other countries."

The only trade retained by the State is foreign trade, and that is retained in the hands of the Soviet Government. The main reason for this is the desire to maintain the currency, for if there were a large adverse balance it would possibly have a serious effect on the currency. Depreciation of the currency would necessitate universal and frequent readjustment of wages and prices. Every readjustment would cause trouble and discontent. In every department the principles of Communism have proved unworkable, and Russia to-day is being rebuilt on the economic system of capitalist countries, private ownership, competitive wages."

(Continued on next column.)

A MODERN METHUSALEM.

PERFECT PHYSICAL CONDITION AT 145.

LIVES MAINLY ON SOUR MILK.

BUDAPEST.

A Constantinople correspondent of the *Magyarhaz* describes an interview with Agha Zaro, who is probably the oldest man in Europe, for he is believed by the people of Constantinople to have lived for more than 145 years.

Zaro possesses a tall, sinewy frame of phenomenal strength, little hair, and no teeth—having lost a third set of teeth which developed after the decay of his second set. He was born in Kurdistan, and in 1808, during the reign of Selim III, became a sergeant in the guards. Since then he remembers the reigns of Mahmud II., Medjid IV., Aziz I., Murad V., Abdul Hamid II., Rasad V., and some Caliphs whom he dismisses as of little consequence because they each reigned only a few years.

Zaro has been married three times, but complains that his wives were short-lived; the first wife succumbed after 32 years of conjugal life, the second after twenty-eight, and the third after forty-two. His eldest son, a porter well-known in Constantinople, died a few years ago at the age of one hundred and ten. At one time Zaro set out to travel round the world, but on his arrival in Italy his digestion became disturbed owing to the "ignorance about cooking" displayed in that country. So he returned to Constantinople, where the Government granted him a small house and the position of a porter to the Prefecture—a sinecure which ensures him a sum equivalent to about £4 a week, and permits him to spend his days in a tiny café, where he is known to have been a regular customer for over a hundred years.

Being a good Mussulman, Zaro has never tasted alcohol. He does not smoke, eats little meat, but consumes many litres of Yogourt (sour milk) daily. Doctors, to whom he is a subject of never-failing interest, declare that he is in perfect physical condition.

THE WISDOM OF THE CRITICS.

EXPERT OPINIONS ON MR. CHURCHILL'S BOOK.

Mr. Churchill's last volume on the "World Crisis" produced a series of strange reverberations in the Press.

The multiple facets of the Chancellor's personality seem to strike every commentator at a different angle. There is no agreement among the critics either on the form or matter of the book.

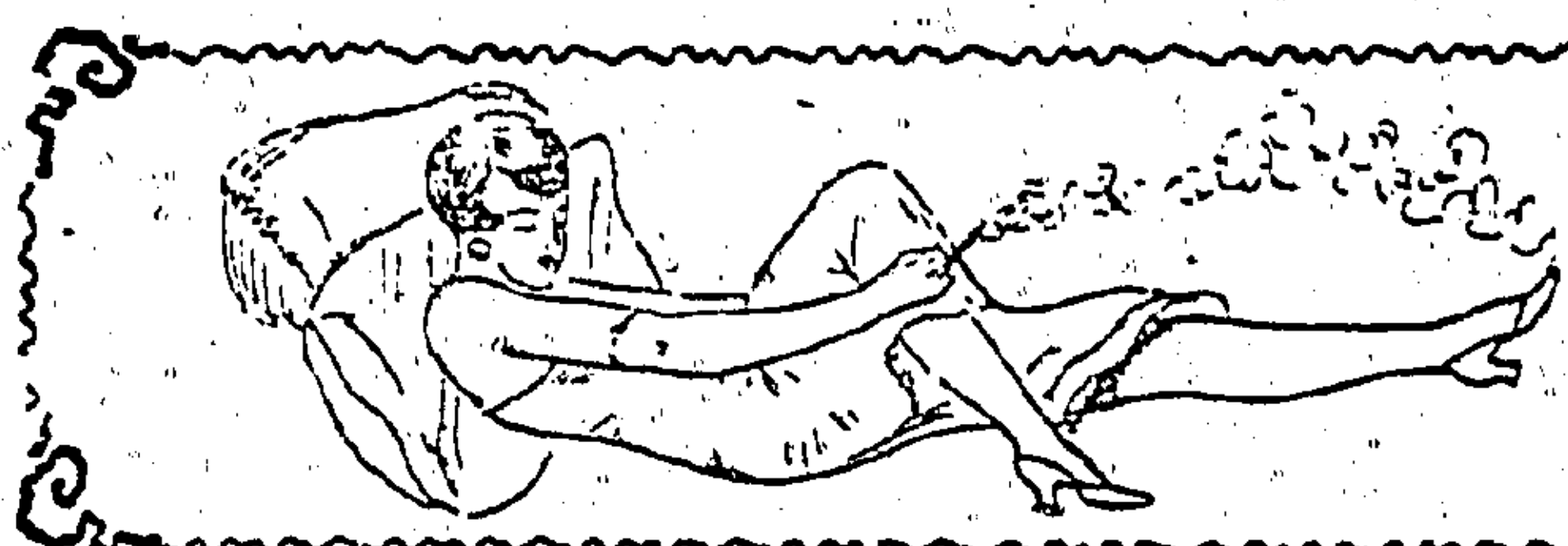
A veteran Liberal publicist comes out with a strong defence of the divine rightness of admirals and generals against the immature lay criticism of mere Cabinet Ministers. The *Morning Post*, on the other hand, usually the stronghold of the military superman, treats Mr. Churchill's strategic views with a becoming seriousness.

Lord Beaverbrook, writing in the *Daily Express*, thinks the style of the work excellent. Mr. John Buchan calls it a masterpiece of English prose. Mr. Masterman points out in the *Evening Standard* certain passages which he considers atrocious in form, and suggests that political rhetoric has ruined the author of "The Life of Lord Randolph Churchill." The *Daily Telegraph* regards the judgments of Mr. Churchill as inspired by Heaven, while the *Daily Chronicle* thinks there is nothing sound in the book except the praise of Mr. Lloyd George's courage—and this is said to be based on a belated gratitude for past services. The *Daily News* reviewer says that it "will make the historian weep."

The critics seem to be agreed only on one single point—that the volume is readable.—*Evening Standard*.

What The Revolution Has Done.

What the Revolution has done is this: The extirpation by massacre and exile of an aristocracy which was largely parasitic, drawing revenue from the labours of others and giving little in return by way of service to the community; the sweeping away of the old bureaucracy of the Tsars and the creation of a new bureaucracy of the Soviets, composed of able men than those who preceded them. In 100 or even in 50 years they will probably develop into such rich aristocracy not unlike that which existed in the days of the Tsars. The one certain result is that the land will remain in the hands of the peasants, and, as peasant proprietors are essentially conservative, the ultimate outcome of the Revolution will in all probability be the creation of an intensely conservative and pacifist republic.



The WOMAN'S PAGE

EASTER GIFTS.

It is a delightful custom to give presents at Easter. One feels particularly generous, both to oneself and others, when the sun begins to shine after so much wet weather. I found a number of things in my wanderings round the shops this week which would make admirable Easter gifts.

At the Sign of the Lantern, I saw lovely boxes, covered with old Chinese embroidery, which opened by means of a gay tassel and contained China tea. Menu holders are another small gift which any housewife will welcome; the same shop has them in the shape of Chinese Junks, carved and painted by hand, and the most exquisite little rice paper figures from Canton. They are models of the traditional Chinese theatrical poses and costumes. The little figure of a lady in peacock blue, with her graceful pose and expressive hands,

UNDIES.

Good Queen Bess was the proud possessor of a black velvet nightgown lined with fur! The probability is that the rest of her lingerie was as stuffy and considerably less interesting. At all events we have no record of the fascinating undie in that gorgeous age of satins and velvets, and heaven forbid that those horrible garments, all pin tucks and feather stitching worn by our grand parents should be called by that endearing name.

You may take it as a sign of progress, or of decadence as you will, but there is no denying that never has feminine underwear been so attractive as to-day. *Crêpe de chine*, the finest lawn, and the ever useful Celanese, in a lovely range of colours, embroidered and lace trimmed, are made into garments which look as if they were designed for fancy princesses or that sensitive lady who felt a pea through

A BASKET OF FLOWERS.

The tendency to-day is to dress small children, whether boys or girls, in clothes that are modelled very closely on those worn by their elders, and very quaint and charming they look. It is delightful, however, to find something which is different, not only from grown up clothes, but from the conventional children's styles of an earlier fashion.

Powell's are showing the daintiest little dresses in white voile and cambie, simple in style, and each one with a different and equally charming form of trimming. "One is scalloped with green silk and has yellow ducklings appliqued round the hem and neck; another edged with blue has sprays of red and blue flowers; and a third, little baskets of flowers in mauve and blue round the hem. But these are only a few among a number. To wear with them are little flower-like hats of organdie, one in pastel shades of pink and blue, and another, in white muslin shirred so that it looks like a half open flower, I thought particularly pretty.

For the tiny baby there are sweet little muslin matinee coats and dresses and soft kid shoes. And for the nursery, rompers of all shapes and designs, some in nursery cretonne and some in casement cloth with quaint appliques.

BY THE WAY.

I saw at Kelly and Walsh a COOKERY BOOK which is very popular at home. It contains many new and practical recipes and is called "Cookery for the Middle Class" but is far more interesting than it sounds.

BROTHERS FOR AN EMERGENCY. Keep one or two pieces of thick blotting paper in a drawer of the sideboard, and they can be easily found when anything is spilt on the table cloth. This simple process saves any amount of laundering, and if only milk or water be spilt the cloth can often be used again as it absorbs all the moisture. If the disaster is with fruit juice, tea, or gravy the blotting paper is equally useful, it absorbs most of the stain and very little penetrates the fibres of the fabric.

The Queen's Dispensary are now manufacturing a new Eau de Cologne for toilet purposes at \$1.25 a pint. It is delightfully fragrant and refreshing in bath or wash hand basin and is made of the purest ingredients.

The loss of a corkscrew has been a tragedy in many households. To remove a cork without a corkscrew drive an ordinary screw with a string tied round the head well into the cork and pull.

A delicious FRUIT COCKTAIL is made as follows—Take one grape fruit, banana and orange, and half a lemon. One table spoonful of brandy, 2 oz. of sugar and some glacé cherries. Put the pulp and juice of the grape fruit, the orange and lemon juice, the banana thinly sliced, and the sugar into a jug and chill for an hour. Add brandy and serve with a cherry, which should have been previously soaked in the brandy, in each glass.

Rolande SARRACULT'S SALE has been on this week but there are still some excellent bargains to be had to-day and to-morrow. Of one thing you may be sure, all her things bear the stamp of the best Paris houses.

When Cakes stick to the tin they can be removed easily if the tin is stood for a few seconds in hot water.

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SUPERSTITION.

AMULETS AND CHARMS.

All down the ages humanity has believed in amulets and charms which control nature and bring what we desire; material wealth, beauty, success, and "good luck." "While you wear this charm no evil thing has power over you," says the good fairy or benevolent magician.

This belief in the Amulet is found in all ages and all types, from the Australian aborigine to the fashionable London hostess. Talismans are found in Tutankamen's tomb and in the savage barrows or tumuli on the Sussex Downs.

It is said sometimes that it is only a religious age which abandons such charms, and possibly Protestant Puritanism is less subject to their cult than any other belief. On the other hand in the Middle Ages, an admittedly religious period, amulets and charms were

When a Chinese girl is born, a circular amulet, engraved and pierced for a cord, is fastened round her waist, to protect her against malicious spirits. These charms are made in various materials, brass, ivory, and jade, according to the rank of the parents; and are never removed guarding the body even in death. It is curious that those which are found in tombs are supposed to be especially lucky, irrespective of the age or manner of death of the late owner if such is known, and the Chinese will pay big prices for a really old specimen.

For Boys.

A boy baby has an amulet of a different shape, sometimes carved like a small animal. Mr. Komor has one which is extraordinarily like an Egyptian scarab. Another favourite design is a flat plaque about two inches by four and carved in bas relief. This is clasped in the hand when the owner goes into danger, and a Chinese will enter without fear a room where there is a plaque stricken person if he is holding his amulet. He will stroke and rub the plaque all the time he is exposed to danger, as Aladdin rubbed his lamp, to summon the good spirits to protect him. The most efficacious of these charms are those made of jade so ancient that it has become brown in colour, and looks rather like highly polished wood. Once again the more believing hands which have grasped it the greater its power.

The Goddess Of Love.

Another amulet, in proof of whose efficiency Mr. Komor tells the most amazing story, is the tiny bronze figure of the Goddess of Love. Carved 600 years ago in the Sung Dynasty, these little figures are rare and literally priceless treasures. Priceless because they may never be sold, for if they are, their beneficent powers leave them for ever. A Chinese priest, who was a fervent believer in these amulets gave several to Mr. Komor, of which he in his turn gave six to men who went to fight in the Great War. Each of those six men came back safely.

And powers of the amulet are to keep the wearer in good health, to keep his friends faithful to him, and to give him good luck in any business he undertakes. The only conditions are belief, and that the amulet shall be given in a spirit of real desire to help the recipient.

A Wonderful Cure.

A certain French lady, of wealth and noble birth came to Hong Kong some years ago, in search of health. She was crippled with rheumatism so that she could not move without a crutch and a stick. "Perhaps the Goddess of Love guided her steps to Komor and Komor's or perhaps she merely followed the path of all discerning tourists." At all events she sat in his shop and told Mr. Komor all her troubles, and how she had tried doctor after doctor, cure after cure, Lourdes and Spas, and all her money could do nothing for her. He told her of these Sung Dynasty amulets and she begged him to sell her one. That, he explained, he could not do, but he showed her the one he wore himself. She took it in her hands, then, to Mr. Komor's astonishment, got up and started walking up and down the shop, her crutches lying beside the chair she had quitted. With tears in her eyes she begged for the little bronze figure. At last Mr. Komor said "All right, I will lend it to you, on the understanding that you do not sell it and return it to me if I should require it."

She walked out of the shop radiant, leaving her crutches behind her, and from time to time, Mr. Komor received letters of heartfelt gratitude saying that she was completely recovered, and when she returned to France six cases of champagne were despatched in which to drink her health.

This lady has lately died at a good old age, without Mr. Komor having asked for the return of his amulet. Does he believe in it himself? I don't know, but he has another of them which he carries always in his pocket.



White sleeveless waistcoat trimmed with red, green and yellow cubist design, worn over a white skirt.



PICTURESQUE WAISTCOATS AND COATERS.

A waistcoat of cheery-coloured dunetyn has ruby enamel buckles for ornament as well as use. For more dressy occasions is a waistcoat of printed velvet with a belt of gold leather.

Of equal popularity is the sleeveless jumper in knitted silk and wool in two shades of amber introducing the much-favoured stripes. The velvet coater, also sleeveless and guileless of trimming other than a shoulder pony, is also in favour.

is a real work of art, and one of the most charming things I have seen for a long while. A note book bound in a scrap of old mandarin embroidery is another pretty and useful gift.

At Whiteway, Laidlaw's, I discovered a new British made ice cream freezer, the "Iceberg." It is a wonderful invention which is simplicity itself. You put the ice and salt in one end and the cream in the other; wait half an hour, and serve. There is nothing to go wrong and nothing to do, and with every "Iceberg" comes a book of recipes, all for 3/6. They showed me, too, some newly arrived sets of table glass in Belgian crystal, which will neither break in hot water, nor grow misty in this climate as glass does. There are three patterns of which I thought the "Balmoral" was particularly dainty.

"Where the rainbow ends" would be a good name for the Pioneer Silk Store, it is like Aladdin's cave which glowed with jewels. Silk, and crêpes, and broads, of every colour lie in tumbled heaps on the counters and in rainbow piles on the shelves. There can be few feminine Easter needs, from lingerie to a coat or curtains which the store cannot supply. Their latest silk is Radium crêpe at 82.50 a yard. It is closely woven with a lovely gleaming surface and washes admirably. Marble crêpe, a thick silk with a matt surface, is another new weave and is in all the latest colours. A new shipment of the lovely striped silks has just arrived, which makes up so well for sport or day dresses.

seven mattresses. The names of the new colours are as entrancing as the undies themselves; Sunrise, Water of the Nile, Foxglove, Rosewood, Peach, and Peri-winkle blue, a palette which suggests the early dawn.

Lane, Crawford's are making a special display of Celanese undies. They are ladderproof, soft and so well cut that they make the most unobtrusive foundation possible for the modern dresses. There are any number of styles of cut and trimming, embroidered, net edged and trimmed with lace which is dainty without being fragile. The same shop has too, a tempting array of *crêpe de chine* and fine lingerie cambie or linen underwear, and delightful dressing jackets of *crêpe de chine*. What could be a more comforting present to an invalid than an orchid *crêpe* jacket with ruffled net appliqué borders, and a cute little pocket of net with a hand-painted hanky in it, to match the jacket?

In Powell's I saw some lovely art silk underwear, camiknickers with accordion pleated sides which were very chic and a set in lavender colour with the daintiest appliqué work on the net borders. This was a very popular form of trimming for underwear some years ago and I am for one delighted to see it come to its own again as it is both strong and very lovely.

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 cargo, lying at buoy No. B11—
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 Capt. S. U. Barling, from
 Canton, with a general cargo,
 lying at buoy No. C34.—B. & S.

Hue Ming, Chinese str., 1,001 tons,
 Capt. E. Waitneck, from Sai-
 gon, with rice and general
 cargo, lying at buoy No. A39.—
 Yuen Sang Fat.

Kishung, British str., 1,228 tons,
 Capt. F. W. Forster, from
 Shanghai, with a general cargo
 and live stock, lying at buoy
 No. B3.—B. & S.

Seloken, Norwegian str., 1,435
 tons, Capt. R. Jentoft, from
 Saigon, with rice and general
 cargo, lying at buoy No. A38.—
 Fat Yuen Hong.

Sony Ho, French str., 720 tons,
 Capt. J. Bonnamour, from Hai-
 phong, with a general cargo,
 lying at Stonecutters.—M.M.

Taisuma, Chinese str., 408 tons,
 Capt. Lo Yat Sun, from Kwang
 Chow Wan, with general cargo
 and pigs, lying at Stonecutters.
 Wing Heung Co.

April 14th.
 Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,517
 tons, Capt. T. Yosukawa, from
 Shanghai, with a general cargo,
 lying at Stonecutters.—N.Y.K.

Yedre, British str., 4,240 tons,
 Capt. A. H. Niggett, R.N.R.,
 from Bombay, with a general
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Promis, Norwegian str., 720 tons,
 Capt. T. Hotvedt, from Keel-
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 sen & Co.

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 Changte, for Canton.
 Changte, for Tourane.
 Changte, for Singapore.
 Changte, for Saigon.
 Gyo Maru, for Swatow.
 Haimu, for Kwang Chow Wan.
 Haimu, for Canton.
 Haimu, for Haiphong.
 Haimu, for Weihaiwei.
 Haimu, for Kwang Chow Wan.
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 Lushan Maru, for Canton.
 Lushan Maru, for Shanghai.
 Lushan Maru, for Saigon.
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 Pronto, for Bangkok.
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SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN

HONG KONG.

FOR APRIL, 1927

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th

MERIDIAN, EAST OF

GREENWICH.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
April 13th	6.04 a.m.	6.43 p.m.
14th	6.03 "	6.43 "
15th	6.02 "	6.44 "
16th	6.01 "	6.44 "
17th	6.00 "	6.45 "
18th	5.59 "	6.46 "
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Apr. 25	San Francisco	Republic	May 25	P'mta-Cbrg June 6
May 1	Seattle	Aquitania	May 31	Cbrg-Shampta June 6
May 18	San Francisco	Leviathan	June 11	Cbrg-Shampta June 17
May 24	Seattle	Geo. Washington	June 18	P'mta-Cbrg June 23
June 1	San Francisco	Maestri	June 25	Cbrg-Shampta July 1
June 8	Seattle	Olympic	June 28	Cbrg-Shampta July 5
June 15	San Francisco	Aquitania	July 1	Cbrg-Shampta July 15
June 22	Seattle	Republic	July 8	Cbrg-Shampta July 19
June 29	San Francisco	Maestri	July 15	Cbrg-Shampta July 29
July 6	Seattle	Maestri	July 22	P'mta-Cbrg Aug.

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SINGAPORE	"YUENSANG"	Monday, 18th April, at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via SINGA-PORE	"KWAISANG"	Tuesday, 19th April, at 8 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"LAISANG"	Wednesday, 20th April, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"SUISANG"	Saturday, 23rd April, at 8 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Sunday, 24th April, at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE	"LEESANG"	Wednesday, 27th April, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Thursday, 28th April, at 8 p.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Friday, 29th April, at 7 a.m.
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EMPERESS OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 13
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 4
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 23
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 13
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 3	Sept. 6
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RANGOON MARU ... Saturday, 30th April

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PENANG MARU ... Thursday, 21st April
MORIKAWA MARU ... Sunday, 1st May

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

GOOD LOCAL AND THROUGH FREIGHTS.

HEAVY ENTRIES REGISTERED.

The returns for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that freights for this Colony and for ports beyond were good. The number of arrivals was better than during the last two days.

Local imports amounted to 17,757 tons of general merchandise. Of these, 5,610 tons were brought by five British steamers.

The two best returns were 2,850 tons and 2,442 tons, the former by the s.s. *Solitaire* (Norwegian) from Saigon and the latter by the British steamer *Takliwa* from Calcutta and Singapore.

Through freights amounted to 13,655 tons. These were brought by nine vessels. Four British steamers accounted for 5,054 tons.

The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Takliwa* and the *President Jackson*. The former vessel carried 3,582 tons and the latter was responsible for 2,300 tons.

During the period under review there 17 arrivals and 11 departures. The nationalities were:—British, 5 arrivals and 4 departures; Japanese, 2 arrivals and 3 departures; Norwegian, 2 arrivals; Chinese, 3 arrivals and 3 departures; Dutch, 1 arrival; French, 3 arrivals and 1 departure; American, 1 arrival.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

HOW THE STRANDED VESSELS ARE PROGRESSING.

HEAVY CHINESE PASSENGERS' ENTRY.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

The "Scotland Maru."

The cargoes on board the s.s. *Scotland Maru*, which lies ashore at Kowloon Bay, are being unloaded with all possible speed. On enquiry at the local offices of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, it was stated that as soon as the vessel is refloated, she will go into dock here. Divers have been down and reported that the damage was not so serious as at first thought.

As the *Scotland Maru* is to be docked here, the arrangements for the conversion of the P. & O. Assurance into an ambulance carrier have had to be altered.

As stated yesterday, the s.s. *Scotland Maru*, which ground at Takung Point, managed to get into Hong Kong harbour unaided. The inference drawn from this was that the S.O.S. signals sent out whilst the vessel was ashore met with no response. This was incorrect. The signals were received and the Harbour Master immediately made arrangements for tugs from the Naval Yard and the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock to go to the assistance of the steamer. As events turned out the assistance was not required.

The S.S. "Tijlbeest."

On enquiries made at the local offices of the China-Java-Japan Line, we learned that work is progressing favourably on the s.s. *Tijlbeest* stranded at Lingting Island, but it was not stated when the vessel is expected to be refloated.

Obstructing Navigation.

The mistresses of two cargo boats were each fined \$3 at the Marine Court this morning for going abreast five other craft already alongside the s.s. *Pinto* in the harbour, and thereby causing an obstruction to navigation.

M.M. Liners.

Particulars were given in our shipping section yesterday of the arrivals of the M.M. Liners *General Metzinger* and *Okenoedius* from the North and Marseilles respectively, and also details of the many passengers carried on each liner. The *General Metzinger* left on Wednesday for Europe and carried from here 34 European passengers for Saigon, other ports and Marseilles. Among the passengers was Mr. F. N. W. Doodha, going to Singapore. The *Okenoedius* sailed for the North with 23 European passengers, and many deck passengers. All but one passenger were for Shanghai, including Baron Guillaume.

The *President Jackson* sailing for Shanghai and American ports yesterday was booked to capacity in all classes.

Obituary.

The death has occurred at Penang of Captain David Murray Scott, who for a number of years was in the service of the Straits Steamship Company. He was a native of Scotland and came to the Straits forty years ago. In the early nineties he brought out the old steamer, *Mary Austin*, from China, and the *Quorra* from Sierra Leone. Captain Scott joined the Straits Steamship Company twenty years ago and at the time of his retirement, on account of ill-health, three years ago, was the master of the *Hobe*.

Dangerous Goods.

Dangerous goods manifested in shipping returns were one flask of acetylene and two casks of alcohol from Europe by *Chenoncaux*; paraffin wax, benzine, and kerosene by *Uda* from the Straits for A.P.C., discharging at Takliwa.

4,456 Chinese Passengers.

Of the seventeen arrivals, thirteen vessels carried Chinese deck passengers into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. The total number brought in was 4,456, which was an increase of over 300 per cent. as compared with the last two days' reports.

Shipping Movements.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* (Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R.), will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on Wednesday, April 26th.

The B.I. & A.P. Line s.s. *Janus* left Kobe for this on the morning of the 13th inst. and is due here on the 18th inst.

The Blue Funnel liner *Patroclus* arrived at Marseilles on April 7th.

The Blue Funnel liner *Cyclops* arrived at New York on April 2nd.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Devanha (P. & O.), due this morning.

Dionaea (Blue Funnel), due April 18th.

Elpenor (Blue Funnel), due April 23rd.

Empress of Asia (C.P.R.), due April 29th.

Empress of Russia (C.P.R.), due to-morrow, at 9 a.m.

Fulda (Melchers), due May 31st.

Glentara (Jardine), due May 1st.

Janus (B.I. & A.P.), due April 19th.

Japan (Swed. E.A. Co.), due April 19th.

Jeppore (P. & O.), due to-morrow, about 6 p.m.

Kashmir (P. & O.), due May 12th.

Khiva (P. & O.), due to-morrow, about 5 p.m.

At. Companion (Blue Funnel), due April 17th.

Manila (P. & O.), due May 29th.

Maringore (P. & O.), due May 10th.

Morea (P. & O.), due April 28th.

Phenias (Blue Funnel), due May 15th.

Preussien (Jensen), due May 19th.

Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due May 25th.

Schwaben (Melchers), due April 21st.

Tanialus (Blue Funnel), due May 13th.

Tanda (E. & A.), due May 7th.

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"ALIPONE"	5,373	— April	Batavia, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"MALWA"	10,840	30th April	Marseilles and London
"DELTA"	8,997	3rd May	Straits, Colombo and London
"LAHORE"	5,252	11th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"NELLORE"	6,533	11th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo, B'way, and Kutch
"KHIVA"	9,138	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"JEYPORE"	6,318	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"NYANZA"	7,023	28th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"MOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	9,005	11th June	Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,902	26th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	26th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"MAGDONIA"	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	9,905	28th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"RAVALPINDI"	15,019	20th Aug.	Marseilles and London
"KARMA"	9,124	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London, & Antwerp

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